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Mr. Todd R. Mohn, Director
The Public Works Department of Queen Anne's County
312 Safety Drive
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Re: Public Interest Finding
Carmichael Road

Dear Mr. Mohn,

Thank you for your recent letter requesting to use Queen Anne's County forces to complete one of your County's American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) of 2009 projects – specifically, the Carmichael Road project.

After receiving bids for the Tanyard Road project, you submitted a cost comparison between the County forces and contracted prices. The State Highway Administration concurs with your analysis that the County can perform the work at a cost approximately 11% (eleven percent) lower than a contracted price. This will allow the County to complete more roadway and avoid lay-offs of Queen Anne's County personnel. We have shared this information with the Federal Highway Administration and they agree with our analysis.

Your Public Interest Finding letter has been found acceptable and your request to use County forces to complete the Carmichael Road project has been approved. Please remember that, since this is an ARRA project, you will need to comply with all applicable ARRA regulations.

If you have any questions or concerns about this, please feel free to contact Guy Talerico, Acting Chief, Federal Aid Programming Section at 410 545 5780 or Stephen Pearce, Federal Aid Liaison Engineer at 410 545 5776.

Sincerely,

Douglas H. Simmons
Deputy Administrator/Chief Engineer
Planning, Engineering, Real Estate & Environment

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